REMARKS

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and 103

In the Office Action dated February 9, 2005, the Examiner rejected the pending claims under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) and 103(a) as being anticipated by Landau U.S. Patent No. 5,235,782 alone or in combination with Applicant's Section-3 Prior Art Statement.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims as currently amended are allowable over the art of record. As the Examiner recognized in the March 3, 2005 personal interview, Landau discloses a <u>laminated</u> multiple sheet device. Applicant's claimed invention comprises a device having partially connected sleeves having multiple layers of sheet material. Landau does not teach, disclose or even suggest such an inventive concept.

A such a specific teaching is absent from Landau, the Examiner's rejection cannot be maintained and the Application urges the Examiner to pass the claims to an expedient issuance.

Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that this application, as now amended, is in condition for allowance for the reasons stated above. Therefore, it is requested that the Examiner reconsider each and every rejection as applicable to the claims now pending in the application and pass such claims to issue.

This amendment is intended to be a complete response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2005. In the event that any outstanding issues remain that would delay the allowance of this application, the examiner is urged to contact the undersigned to **telephonically** discuss such outstanding issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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